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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: S. NAKATA et al.  
Serial No.: 09/936,918  
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For: AUTOMATIC ANALYZING APPARATUS  
Group: 1743  
Examiner: L. Alexander

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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May 30, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 30, 2007, the period for reply thereto being extended one month by the attached Petition for Extension of Time to expire May 30, 2007, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.